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Maypole Soap. Ceylon and India Tea. Cash Sale-A M Stanton Closing Out-P. O. Clark. The North American Review. Do You Admire-J C. Stevens. 94 per cent-W. H S. Whitcomb. Clearance Sale—The Old Bee Hive. A Pretty Foot-J D Patridge & Co. Hard Times-Barbour's Bus. College. A Wind-Fall-The King Clothir g Co. Annua Sale-Lougee Bros. & Smythe. A Prominent Me chant-W. W. Sprague. Fire and Water Sale-Boynton & Eastman.

FRATERNITY MEETINGS.

Palestine Commandery, No. 5, K. T. Palestine Commandery N o 5. Knight Tem-plar holds a Special Conclave Thu sday eve-ning, January 18. The order of the Red Cross will be conterred P. F. HAZEN, Commander.

Knights of Pythias. Regular convention of Ap illo Lodge No. 2 Tuesday, Jan. 18 Installation of officers. Work in "Page" rank. W. O. SHAW, C. C. H. T. FISHER, K. R. S.

D. M. BACON, Recorder.

WEATHER RECORD. At Bingham's Drug Store, for the week ending January 12, 1897,

Highest		Lowe
Thursday	32	12
Friday	35	25
Saturday	34	18
Sunday	27	10
Monday	22	- 4
Tuesday	23	5
Wednesday	36	20

LOCAL GATHERINGS.

-The Odd Fellows of the sixth district hold a meeting here Feb. 3. The programme is now being arranged.

-The order of Eastern Star will hold district meeting in Lyndonville next Wednesday afternoon and evening. -The literature class of the Woman's

Club will meet at No. 20 Main street, Monday afternoon, Jan. 17, at 3 o'clock. Subject, "The English Bible." -The Merchants bank will be closed Friday atternoon during the funeral of

Col. Frederick Fletcher, who was the main mover in starting the bank and its first president. -The members of the Adelphian society surprised their president, Joseph Fair-

banks, on Wednesday evening last and gave him a very pleasant demonstration of their regard for him. -Mrs. F. O. Clark gave an exhibition

and sale of domestic cooking at her Summer street home yesterday afternoon. Food may be obtained daily at F. O. Clark's store on Eastern avenue.

-Chamberlin Post, G. A. R., Frost Camp, S. of V., and the W. R. C. had a public installation of officers last week Thursday evening. The ladies furnished refreshments during the evening.

-Remember the exhibition of the State Poultry and Pet Stock association in the Town Hall Jan. 25 28. The annual banquet of the association will be given at

-Mr. and Mrs. Smythe, the clerks in Lougee Bros. & Smythe's store with a lew invited friends enjoyed a barge ride to Lyndonville last Friday evening. Landlord Webb served the party a good

-The annual meeting of the Caledonia Fair Ground Co. will be held in the Board of Trade rooms next Tuesday at 1.30 p. m. The agricultural society will hold its meeting in the same place at 10 a.m. next Tuesday.

-The St. Johnsbury fire department tendered Walter Husband a farewell banquet Monday evening. Mr. Husband was a member of Hose Co. No. 4 and popular with all the boys. The firemen presented him with a fine grip.

-N. M. and F. A. Scott have commenced repairs on their block damaged by the late fire. The middle block, the one occupied by the Moore & Co. insurance office, will have a third story added to it, making it even with the block on

-A jolly company of 18 formed a snowshoe party last Friday evening and walked up the meadows of Sleeper's river toward the Hatchery. At the close of this most exhilarating sport, they returned to the home of John W. Balch, where a chafing-dish supper was served where a chafing-dish supper was served of P. P. Bennett, W. L. Heath, A. L. Bragg already ben registered and several have lish stores in different towns in the countries of his real estate and interested in the congress, who want

-The insurance has been adjusted on Boynton & Eastman's stock and a big

fire sale will be opened next Wednesday. See ad in another column for bargains. - The young ladies gymnasium class

will meet in the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium old home. next Tuesday evening at 7.30 o'clock. Any young ladies wishing to join the class are invited to be present.

-Among the interesting articles in the January Vermonter Is one by the editor, Col. Charles S. Forbes, upon the development of water and electric power in Vermont. In this article it is stated that the St. Johnsbury Electric Street Railway company will be capitalized at \$200,000 and bonded for \$125,000.

-Wednesday evening W. H. Moulton in behalf of a number of the business men of the place presented Co. D. with a fine new flag. Major Bonett responded for the company, expressing thanks for the flag and calling for three cheers for both the flag and Lieut. Moulton, an honor-

ary member of the company. "Dr." C. W. Goff, who left St. Johnsbury under a cloud about a year ago, is now reported to be behind the bars at Sing Sing, N. Y. He attempted to practice medicine in New York state, and failing to produce a diploma as proof of his medical education the doctors of the place had him arrested with the result above stated.

-A number of the members of the North church Christian Eudeavor society called on Nathan L. Thompson Wednesday evening and presented him with two fine books to show their appreciation of the efficient service he has rendered the society. The presentation speech was made by Miss Watson and she made Mr. Thompson understand that the society regretted very much to lose him.

-R. B. Gammell leads all New England in soliciting accident insurance. He represents the Massachusetts Mutual Accident Insurance company and last month placed about 40 policies and he said he didn't more than half work either. The company sent him a telegram saying that he lead all their agents for the month of December and a present of \$25 or \$30 will probably soon follow the John Poole \$187 for the loss of an eye.

-The election of Capt. C. M. Bonett thoroughly deserved recognition and promotion. No captain connected with the Vermont National Guard has been more interested in and devoted to the highest success of his company than has Capt. Bonett, whose ability and faithfulness as a commanding officer has been St. Johnsbury Guard, but as well by all members of the regiment. The CALE-DONIAN congratulates Major Bonett on good major.

of Rev. Henry W. Jones, a former pastor a perfect success and although the re- Woodstock Nov. 21, 1804, the youngest county regiments. Col. Fletcher was in the account of his silver wedding. The account of it:

of Rev. and Mrs. Henry W. Jones. This past. fact had somehow leaked out and the ladies of the town planned a surprise for them in the shape of twenty-five silver dollars which were presented to them at the church Friday evening. To each dollar was neatly tied a bouquet of roses and an appropriate quotation. Mr. Jones is one of the few men of whom it the Avenue House on the evening of the charity for all people. May be and his just beginning a tour of the command. March 21 1794; Joseph, March 20,

A Pleasant Reunion .- Col. and Mrs. J. C. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Tyler, and Mr. and Mrs. P. F. Hazen entertained very delightfully, on Tuesday evening, Gov. and Mrs. Grout and other participants of the Nashville and Washington trips who chanced to be called here by the officers' school. A fine dinner was served at Col. Clark's residence on Summer street, the party numbering 24 Afterdinner the company held a very agreeable session in the parlor, during which music, reminiscences, and general sociability were indulged in. Pretty souvenir cards were furnished, on which was painted the state flower, the red clover, while a list of the party, the ment were neatly printed on each card.

Trustee Appointments.-The village trustees have made the tollowing appointments:

Clerk, W. S. Boynton.

Assistant clerk, C. S. Adams. Fire department, A. L. Bragg, chief; Henry Howard, first assistant; E. A. Blodgett, second assistant, Superintendent water works, R. G

Superintendent streets, M. J. Russell. Surveyors of wood and lumber, Sias Raudall, Daniel Carpenter, C. L. Carpenter, C. C. Follensby, Albert Harris, Wm. Weiberbee, Horace Randall, F. V. Powers, commodale 50, and this number has and Jason Carpenter.

PERSONALS.

Mrs. Abbie McNeil is confined to the

house by ill health. Prof. and Mrs. Arthur Fairbanks of New Haven, Conn., spent Tuesday at his

B. F. Weeks has moved into the Cowles house on Pearl street. He recently purchased this house.

Frank Stafford and W. P. Stafford were called to Barre Monday to attend the funeral of a relative. Rev. M. J. Carmody will take another

soutkern trip with the hope of receiving turther benefit to his health. Frank D. Martell has purchased a

barber shop in Montpelier of George W. Bonett and has taken possession. Henry Fuller will soon leave the office of E. and T. Fairbanks to take charge of

the company's business in Montreal.

Hon. and Mrs. J. B. Peckett of Bradford were among the visitors in town during the session of the officers' school. Fish Commissioner J. W. Titcomb spent the first of this week in Boston. He left Wednesday for Florida on a husiness trip.

Miss Katherine Harvey is convalescent after being confined to the house for a number of weeks with lung trouble and rheumatism.

F. Farrington, who has been stopping at the St. Johnsbury House for several weeks, has gone to Boston. He is contemplating a southern trip.

Mrs. Lyman P. Wood of Burlington made a short visit among her triends last week and left for Boston Saturday, accompanied by Miss Isabel M. Paddock. John H. Drew left Monday for Chicago

where he will spend several weeks visiting his daughter, Mrs. Clarence Lamson. He hopes that the change may improve his health.

Alphonse Dumais, Adelia Gongne, Mrs. ous business matters. Sophronia Hammond, Miss Gertie Kedney, Bert Andrews, S. H. Creaser, Ferdinand Corneau, William Marshal, Chas. A. Paine, William Ross. D. G. C., L. W. Rowell, went to Barton

of Company D to be major is a case of well attended by the citizens of Barton, him to wear glasses. All his physical fac- ment. He was a prominent figure in the and expects to add many new members during the present year. appreciated not only by members of the returning to Kansas City last September seemed impossible, but in November last

lent captain and the regiment gets a and one of the best surgeons in the West dangerous operations in surgery must be last. Silver Wedding .- The many friends performed at once. The operation was

Thursday evening he installed the officers Feb. 6, 1780; Russell, Dec. 17, 1781; of West Concord commandery, No. 652. Sally, Sept. 7, 1784; Benjamin, Jan. 25, can be said that he lives up to his con- On Friday erening he will officially visit 1787; James, March 31, 1789; Seth, cent estate of Dr. Seward Webb. On this victions and yet has a broad mantle of the commandery at Lyndonville. He is Aug. 12 1791; Perry and Paris, (twins) good wife see many more happy anni- eries of the state and expects to add 1797; Catherine, Oct. 28, 1799; Thad-

Medical college opened Jan. 6, the fresh- age of 92 and Paris at 86. man class numbering 135. President Buckham was in New York

lew days last week.

college annual out sometime before the spring vacation. Miss Ruth Rouse of England, repre-

senting the Y. M C. A., spoke before the young ladi's at Grass Mount, Jan. 9, Miss Penber, '01, of Wells, Vt., who has been seriously sick for some time, is not expected to live

A college meeting was held Jan. 7, and date of the gathering, and a bit of senti- G. J. Holden, '99, was elected manager of the foot ball team, C. M. Heton, '00, assistant manager.

It is expected that Hamlin, one of the pitchers of the Yale Varsity team last year, will enter the Medical college some time this winter. The musical clubs left Monday, Jan.

10, for a week's trip through the southern part of the state. Prof. Litsley of the Medical college will address the members of the Botanical

club Friday evening, Jan. 14. on the subject on of "bacteriology." annual session. The school can only acbeen refused admission.

DEATH OF COL. FREDERICK FLETCHER.

One of the Best Known Business Men in the State.-Passes Away at the Advanced Age of

At three o'clock Wednesday afternoon occurred the death of Col. Frederick Fletcher, one of St. Johnsbury's bestknown and, with one exception, its oldest citizen. The end came quickly and peacefully, and at a time when hardly expected. It was known that the cud was near, but it was thought that there would yet be a few more days.

A week ago Monday Col. Fletcher was out and enjoyed a long ride. Wednesday night he was taken with some stomach trouble and has since gradually grown weaker. He retained his mental faculties until the very last. Tuesday a gentleman from Greensboro was with him and they talked over some business matters for several minutes. Wednesday



Following are the advertised letters at | morning his son, Col. T. C. Fletcher, spent the postoffice: Mrs. J. Banrasa, Mrs. some time with him, talking over vari-

It was wonderful the way this remarkable man retained his mental faculties, keen and alert until the very last, and his physical faculties almost as long. When he celebrated his 87th birthday it was on Monday evening last to assist Grand said of him that he "bore the burden of Commander, L. M. Cragin of Springfield, his more than fourscore years lightly, telegram. This company lately paid in the installation of the officers elect of and of physical infirmities he has hardly Barton Commandery, No. 752, U. O. G. a trace, aside from a slight failure of He passed through the subordinate C. The installation was public and was eyesight, which has only recently obliged grades up to a colonel of the 8th regi-This commandery is doing good work ulties are as acute as those of a man in state militia until 1850, when he retired. the prime of life. His hearing is un- He was the first man in Vermont to add The many triends of G. W. Hallett of and, walking or driving, his tall, erect ment on occasion of pare muster and Kansas City have known that his health figure impresses a stranger as belonging other public occasions. When he was has been tailing for several years and to an alert business, man of 50 or 60 commissioned colonel in 1838 the militia they will be interested to learn that after years." This was said of him on the day had just been reorganized and consisted he grew rapidly worse and his sufferings almost be said of him a year or so ago. became so severe that his recovery Of course the six years added to the 87 ernor and commander in chief, Gen. had made his step a little less firm and Stephen Dole of Danville was commander his election. Company D loses an excel- a council was called of three physicians vigorous, his figure a little less erect, but of the second division and Gen. E. B. and they decided that one of the most they were strong and acute to the very

of the North church, will be interested in covery owing to his long illness and of 12 children of James and Catherine all probability the last of the 12 generals great suffering must necessarily be very Fletcher. The family was a notable one, Pomona, Cal. Times gives the tollowing slow, the physician and his friends feel both for the longevity of its members militia of those days. confident that in a few months he will be and for the prominence they took in the "Christmas day was the silver wedding in better health than for many years affairs of the time and for the success they invariably achieved in whatever L. M. Cragin of Springfield, grand they undertook. The father was born in commander of the W. O. G. C. of Vermont, Chesterfield, N. H., in February, 1757, with his wife and daughter, spent the combined lives of father and son thus most prominent citizens, evidently prefer-Wednesday in town. In the evening he covering a span of 140 years. The ring the climate of this section of the installed the officers of Green Mt. com- mother was born May 15, 1762. The state to that about Lake Champlain. mandery, No. 335, of this place. On 12 children were born as follows: Polly, many new members to the order this | deus R., Nov. 12, 1801; Frederick, Nov. winter. He is peculiarly fitted for this 21, 1804. The children all lived to be very old, with the exception of Perry,

The family being large the older children would leave home when they became old enough to seek their fortunes in The Ariel board expect to have the other places. They were made of the right material to work and succeed and opened Manday, the 10th, for its seventh | business gradually but surely and safely | Johnsbury, expanded. They commenced to estab- During his residence in St. Johnsbury ty. In a few years they had seven stores financial interests has commanded his Vermont represented.

in as many towns and were doing an immense business. To successfully carry on such an enterprise as theirs required extraordinary business ability, close application and hard work. These two accumulating money.

They naturally took an interest in the public affairs of their town. Thaddeus became interested in politics and was elected a senator for one term, performing the duties of the office to the satisfaction of his constituents. Frederick took an interest in the militia and concerning this mention will be made later in this article. He also established a poor farm which seven towns had access to and which proved a great success in the care of the poor.

In 1842, when Thaddeus was 42 and Frederick 38, the brothers decided to close out their business and retire to Burlington. Their mercantile business in in Jericho had been unusually successful and each had accumulated a snug fortune. Thaddeus later became very rich and his large tortune finally went to the establishment of the Fletcher free library and the Mary Fletcher hospital in Burlington.

Col. Frederick Fletcher's reputation as a man of great business ability at once brought him to the front in Burlington business circles. When the Farmers and Mechanics' bank was organized in 1834 he was made a director. On becoming a resident of Burlington he was elected president of the bank, holding the office for many years and guiding the affiairs of the bank with great ability. It is needless to say that under his administration the bank was a success. Some differences finally arising among the stockholders of the bank the instution was merged into the present Merchants bank of Burlington. Some of the stock holders of the bank were violent democrats and thinking that no bank would be able to prosper after the election of Abraham Lincoln they made trouble that resulted in the above change.

Frederick Fletcher, always familiarly known as Col. Fletcher, derived this title from his connection with the militia, which he entered in 1826 as captain. impaired, his step is firm and vigorous the now familiar brass band to a regihe was 87 years old, and the same could of three divisions, nine brigades and 27 regiments. Silas H. Jennison was govhis mental faculties were not changed, Chase of Lyndon, of the third division, while James Morse of Waterford and James Gilkerson of Ryegate, both Col. Frederick Eletcher was born in colonels, commanded the Caledonia and 27 colonels who commanded the

Col. Fletcher became a resident of St. Johnsbury about 36 years ago. His son, Col. Truman C. Fletcher, had already established himself in business here. He has since been one of St. Johnsbury's He was accustomed for many years to spend a part of each summer on his large farm in Shell-urne, adjoining the magnififarm is a stately stone mansion. The property was once owned by Congressman Meech, a great man in early Vermont days.

During his early residence in St. Johnsbury, Col. Fletcher was mainly instru-University of Vermont Notes .- The who died in early life. James died at the mental in the organization of the Merchants National bank. He was its first president and its director for a number

Col. Fletcher was first married in 1831 to Maria Chittenden, who died in 1834. On Jan. 14. 1836, he married Beulah succeed they did. Paris Fletcher, at an Chittenden, a sister of his first wife. early age, went to Bridport, Addison These two ladies were daughters of the county, opened a saddler's shop and then Hon. Truman Chittenden and granda country store, prospered, and when he daught is of the Hon. Thomas Chittendied was the richest man in that county. den. The Chittenden family is perhaps Frederick and Thaddeus followed Paris the most distinguished and illustrions and there they laid the foundation of their family in the state. The founder of this fortunes. After working for Paris a year family, Mrs. Frederick Fletcher's grandor two and saving a small sum of money, father, was the first governor of our they were ready for a start alone with commonwealth and a great factor in its something that promised bigger money, establishment. Truman Chittenden was They decided to establish themselves in a noted citizen of the state for many the mercantile business in Jericho and vears and the present head of the family their brother Paris guaranteeing their is the honorable Lucius E. Chittenden of bills for a small amount with a New New York. It is a family famous for its York wholesale house they started out ability and patriotism for many years. under favorable circumstances. With Mrs. Fletcher died March 16, 1863, at their business ability and industry it the alvanced age of 81 years. Of three was not long before they were transact- children one son survives the father and The Davy school of the University | ing a large mercantile business. Their mother, Col. Truman C. Pletcher of St.

attention and up to the very last he gave these affairs the same careful attention that he did years ago.

In politics he was first a whig, casting his first presidential vote in 1828 for men possessed the qualities necessary for John Quincy Adams. He has voted at such an enterprise and were soon rapidly every presidential election, joining the republican party in 1856. He represented the town of Underhill in the legisature in 1843, '44 and '45 and was representative from Shelburne in 1861 and '62. He has held many town offices of

Col. Fletcher's capital, when he left home at the age of 14 to seek his fortune, was a homespun suit of clothes and 25 cents. The 25 cents went for food on the first day away from home. But he was not long without money, his industry and hard work finally brought it to him in a sufficient abundance.

He was a gentleman of the old school, tall and erect, with smooth face and courtly manners and was for many years one of the most familiar figures on our streets. He was a lover of good horse flesh and not long ago was frequently seen driving the family carriage and pair as deftly as the young man of 25. A worthy and influential member of the Episcopal church he did much for that society in this town. He could read, write or sign his name up to within a short time ago as easy as ever he could, so he used to say. His longevity he attributy to his habits of industry, his frugality and temperance in all things.

A familiar figure on our streets for so many years Col. Fletcher will be much missed. He was a delightful man to visit with, a fine conversationalist with a fund of interesting anecdotes and reminiscences never exhausted.

The funeral will be held from his late residence this afternoon at two o'clock, conducted by the Masonic lodge. It is expected that a delegation will be present from the Washington lodge of Burlington, of which Col. Fletcher was one of the oldest, if not the oldest, living member. It was a request of his, made two years ago, that the funeral should be thus conducted.

Mozart Symphony Club. - The Mozart Symphony cub, Thursday evening, Ian. 20, is the next entertainment in the Y. M. C. A. lecture course and it promises to be a rare musical treat. The artists in the company are as follows: Mr. Otto Lund, solo violin; Richard Stoelzer, viola: Herr Theo, Hock, violin Blodeck, cello; assisted by Miss Marie Gumaer, prima donna; Richard Stoelzer. viola d'Armour soloist and Archi lute: Herr Theo. Hoch, cornet viring, Roman triumphal trumpet and A pi e echo horn; Mario Blodeck, da ganoa soloist. Below are a few press notics:

dered by Herr Richard Stoelzer in a way that suggested the instrument possessed life of a sympathetic nature. - | Musical Conrier, N. Y. Mr. Blodeck in his Da Gamba solo, an instrument of mellow sweetness, was

· The prize song, "Meistersinger," by R.

Wagner, on the violo d'Amour, was ren-

[Cincinnati, O. A violin solo by Otto Lund convinced the audience by the ease and grace of his movements that he is a perfect master of bis instrument -[New Haven, Conn.

The new Alpine korn solo took the

well appreciated, and he was recalled .-

audience by storm. The lung capacity of Herr Hoch, the cornetist of the evening excited the wonder and admiration of the audience.-[Brooklyn, N. Y. 1897. While every participant and member was most cordially received, possibly the most enthusiastic demonstration of anpreciation was elicited by the vocalist, Miss Marie Louise Gumaer. Especially notable were her encores. She combines the triple attractiveness of unusual personal beauty, rare vocal talent, and high

culture .- [Philadelphia, Pa. The celebrated Mozart Symphony club with its distinguished artists, played its programme with exquisite finish and rreproachable ensemble - Boston, Mass.

Mr. Conwell Coming. - The lecture committee are pleased to announce that Rev. Russell H. Conwell of Philadelphia has been secured to fill the vacancy in the course caused by Dr. Gunsaulus' illness. Mr. Conwell comes here Wednesday, February 9, and it is needless to sav that this popular lecturer will be greeted by a large and appreciative audience. This will be his last lecture this season, as he sails February 12 as conductor of a party through the Holy Land.

Heavy Pensioners .- In the New York Sun's list of pensioners drawing over \$45 a month there is only one from Caledonia county, Warner C. Fogg of West Burke, who receives \$72 per month. George W. Flanders of Greensboro Bend, George C. Chamberlin and Burnham Cowdery of Bradford, Peter Young of West Derby, Andrew J. Marey and Joseph H. Merrett of Newport, are among those who receive the same sum.

Delegates Appointed .- Gov. Grout has appointed Henry Wells of Burlington and Dr. James D. Tannero Winooski delegates from Vermont to the National Fishery congress to be held at Tampa, Fla., beginning Jan. 19. These gentlemen, who are spending the winter at Tampa, are both members of the Fish and Game League. The appointment is made at the request of persons actively